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SUBJECT: PRESS REMARKS BY THE SECRETARY

FOLLOWING EXCHANGE TOOK PLACE MAY 2INREMARKS TO THE PRESS  
BY THE SECRETARY FOLLOWING THE DEPARTURE OF JAPANESE PRIME  
MINISTER FUKUDA.

QUOTE:

QUESTION: MR. SECRETARY, COULD YOU TELL US WHAT THE IMPLI-  
CATIONS ARE FOR THE UNITED STATES ON THE NEW, PRO-COMMUNIST  
TAKEOVER OF POWER IN AFGHANISTAN?

SECRETARY VANCE: IT'S HARD TO SAY YET, MR. KALB, WHAT IS  
ACTUALLY TAKING PLACE THERE AT THIS POINT. IT IS A FACT  
THAT THE PRIME MINISTER, I BELIEVE, HAS BEEN THE SECRETARY  
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GENERAL OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY THERE. THE EXACT MAKEUP OF  
THE CABINET IS BEING STUDIED BY OURSELVES AT THIS TIME.  
WE ARE IN CONSULTATION WITH OTHERS IN THE AREA, AND I WOULD  
LIKE TO WITHHOLD JUDGMENT UNTIL WE HAVE HAD THE CHANCE TO  
CONSIDER THE SUBJECT FURTHER. UNQUOTE. CHRISTOPHER

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